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HA TINH COMPLEX
NORTH VIETNAM
1820N 10554E

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1. PRE-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] REVEALS THE COMPLEX
OF HA TINH AS IT APPEARED ON [REDACTED]

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2. SINCE AT LEAST APRIL 1965, THE HA TINH AREA HAS BEEN THE
OBJECT OF NUMEROUS AIR STRIKES, ONE OCCURING ON [REDACTED] WITH A
TOTAL OF TWENTY-FOUR STRIKE AIRCRAFT (EIGHT A-1H, TWELVE F-105, FOUR
F-100) PLUS NINE CAP AIRCRAFT (TWO A-1H, SEVEN F-100). ORDNANCE
EXPENDED ON THIS STRIKE CONSISTED OF ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX 750-POUND,
FORTY-EIGHT 500-POUND, AND SIXTY-FOUR 250-POUND GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS,
PLUS THREE HUNDRED FORTY-ONE 2.75-INCH ROCKETS.

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3. POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED]
REVEALS EIGHTEEN DESTROYED BUILDINGS AND EIGHT DAMAGED BUILDINGS AT
HA TINH RADAR SITE.

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HA TINH HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER SONG NAI (RIVER). THE NORTHERN SPAN
DESTROYED, THE CENTER SPAN MODERATELY DAMAGED, AND THE SOUTHERN SPAN
SUPERFICIALLY DAMAGED. TEN PROBABLE CIVILIAN STRUCTURES HAVE BEEN
DESTROYED ON THE NORTHERN APPROACH OF THE BRIDGE.

4. POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REVEALS CUMULATIVE

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DAMAGE TO THE FOLLOWING TARGET AREAS:

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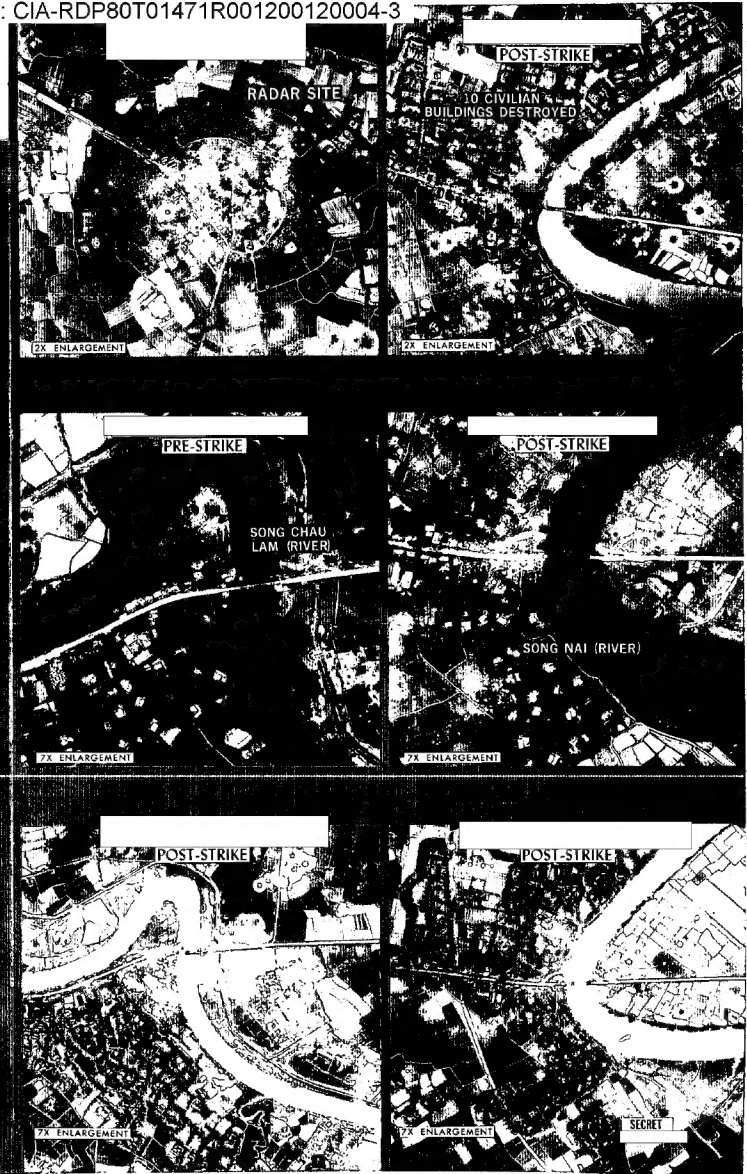
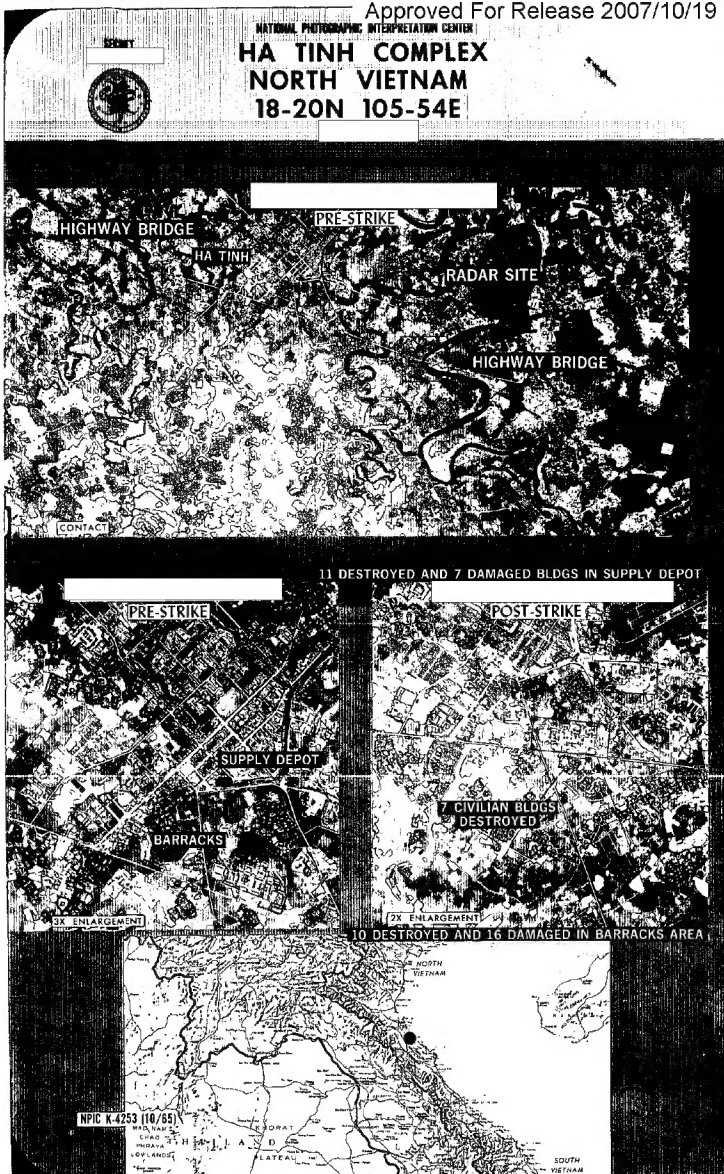
OF THE FORTY-FOUR BUILDINGS WITHIN THE HA TINH BARRACKS AND SUPPLY DEPOT, TWENTY-ONE BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED AND TWENTY-THREE BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN DAMAGED. APPROXIMATELY SEVEN HOUSES IN THE VICINITY OF THE BARRACKS HAVE ALSO BEEN DESTROYED.

THE HA TINH HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SONG NAI (RIVER) HAS SUSTAINED ADDITIONAL DAMAGE.

TWO SPANS ARE DESTROYED ON THE HA TINH HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SONG CHAU LAM (RIVER) AND APPROXIMATELY EIGHT CIVILIAN BUILDINGS IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA HAVE BEEN DAMAGED OR DESTROYED.

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